

MINUTES

MEETING OF THE NATIONAL DISASTER SUPPORT TASK GROUP

24 March 1970

USGS Office, Reston, Virginia

1. The fourth meeting of the Task Group was convened by the Chairman at 1:00 P.M.

2. Minutes of the 17 March 1970 meeting were read, noted, and approved.

3. [ ] introduced [ ] OEP Consultant, to the Task Group. [ ] interest relates to his current assignment to develop a disaster information management system.

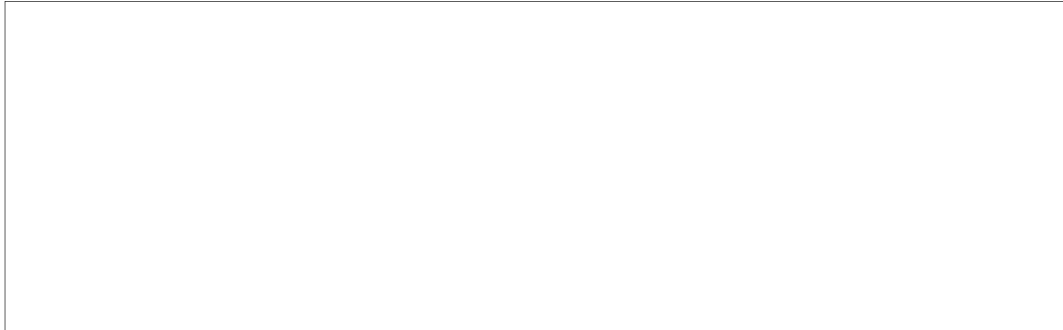
4. In response to Item No. 7 in the minutes of the 17 March meeting, [ ] USGS, briefed on a graphic representation of existing data gaps along the U. S. Gulf Coast. This graphic will be utilized as supporting information in current follow-up correspondence presently under preparation by [ ] The areas shown on this graphic generally reflected the mutual interests of Task Group agencies and will be so reflected in the referenced correspondence. During the ensuing discussion, [ ] raised several questions concerning the identity and location of photographic data bases within the several Federal agencies--both within and outside the Washington, D. C. area. He particularly emphasized the need for rapid coordination and research, as might be required of these data holdings under conditions of extreme stress. In response to a question from [ ] Dr. Guthe and [ ] agreed to inquire as to present availability of data holdings of several areas of the U. S. in support of USGS mapping requirements.

5. [ ] reported that a letter had been sent from OEP to the Director of Operations, Hq. USAF, on 20 March 1970, forwarding [ ] request for photography of those areas of ESSA concern under snow cover in the NW and North Central parts of the U. S. (Item No. 10, 17 March Minutes)

(Chairman's Note: This represents the first formal action emanating from this Task Group in representing the needs of a member agency in a possible natural disaster context, and the utilization of appropriate action and coordination channels.)

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6. Inasmuch as several members of the Task Group had been asked to sit on more than one committee and because there seemed to be an inherent priority of order of work, the Chairman activated work committees #2 and #5 (Tasking Channels and Disaster Types and Data Requirements, respectively). Those working on these tasks were:



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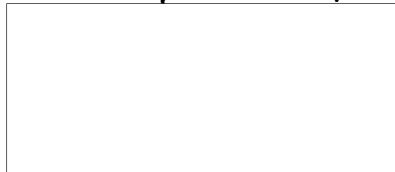
7. In response to discussion initiated by Dr. Guthe with respect to itemizing with some specificity certain of the resources to be identified in Task #1, it was considered appropriate to use those details as are available to the Task Group.

8. By the end of the work sessions, both task groups had begun to outline, to draft out, and list those items pertinent.

9. The meeting was adjourned at 4:00 P. M. by  with instructions for reconvening at USGS, Reston, same time, 31 March 1970, to continue task assignments.

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Respectfully submitted,



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